

Meeting the Social and Emotional Needs of Students with High Abilities: Developing an Affective Curriculum

Date: February 23, 2009

Time: 9:00AM-3:00PM (Registration begins at 8:30AM with continental breakfast)

Site: Sheraton North, Indianapolis

Fee: FREE! Breakfast, Lunch, and Materials are included

Deadline: February 16, 2009 (Registration is required); CRUs will be available

This event is funded by the Indiana Department of Education, Office of High Ability Education and is provided to Indiana public school educators at no charge.

Audience: Teams of Counselors and/or High Ability Specialists who will be developing an Affective Curriculum or Guidance & Counseling Plan for High Ability Students in their school district.

During this one-day training, participants will learn about and discuss common characteristics and social and emotional issues facing gifted individuals. Resources for developing an affective curriculum for students with high abilities will be shared, and participants will be provided with an opportunity to begin planning an affective curriculum that would meet the needs of students with high abilities in your school corporation.

Participants will:

- Know the characteristics and possible behavioral manifestations of students with high ability.
- Understand that students with high ability are also likely to have greater sensitivity to their environment which may be manifested in different ways and cause them to have some social and emotional issues.
- Be able to provide professional development to other school personnel and parents regarding the social and emotional characteristics of this population.
- Be able to implement strategies that address the social and emotional needs of high ability students.
- Be able to use provided materials to develop a Guidance & Counseling Plan in their school district.

About the Presenters:

Dr. Ginny Burney is a Consultant for High Ability Programs with the Indiana Education Project at Ball State University, where she also teaches a course in the series for High Ability Licensure. She has two graduate degrees in guidance and counseling and has worked as a school counselor and guidance director. Ginny is a past president of the Indiana Association for the Gifted and recently concluded five years of service on the National Association for Gifted Children's Board of Directors.

Dr. Kristie Speirs Neumeister is an Assistant Professor at Ball State University in the Educational Psychology Department where she teaches graduate courses in gifted education. She is on the board of directors for the Indiana Association for the Gifted and the Council for Exceptional Children: The Association for the Gifted. Her research interests center on the social and emotional needs of gifted students.

Register for this workshop at www.ecesc.k12.in.us Click on Workshop Registration. Call Mary Barbour at 800.669.3010 if you need assistance. Pre-registration is required. An acknowledgement of registration, including confirmation #, will be e-mailed to each registrant. If you do not receive this e-mail immediately after registering, contact the ECESC as soon as possible!